Carter Lauds Bush Effort To Institute CIA Reforms

PLAINS, Ga. (UPI) — Jimmy Carter said yesterday that CIA Director George Bush has done a better job than FBI Director Clarence Kelley in instituting reforms and that the Carter staff made "a serious mistake" in revealing an embarrassing memo about Bush.

The Democratic presidential nominee made the comments at a half-hour news conference he and California Gov. Edmund G. Brown

Jr. held at the old depot serving as Carter's local campaign headquar-

Brown met with Carter Thursday to discuss campaign plans in California and spent the night at his house.

CARTER SAID he thought "a lot" of Bush and felt he has done a good job in instituting changes mandated by congressional committees. On the other hand, he said, he felt Kelley has not gained control of the FBI.

Brown said he promised Carter his full support. He praised Carter for initiating in the Democratic party and the nation "a process of reconciliation that was a long time com-Committee the second

The California governor challenged Carter in the late spring primaries and went into the Democratic convention last month as an active candidate.

Carter was questioned about a staff memo prepared in support of statements he made earlier this week in speech to the American Bar Association. On that occasion he charged that the Nixon and Ford administrations filled important federal jobs with defeated GOP candidates and other party faithful.

One of those named as a defeated candidate placed in the "dumping grounds" of the federal payroll was Bush, who briefed Carter Thursday on foreign affairs. A Carter aide handed out the memo while the briefing was in process.

"THAT WAS A serious mistake on some staff member's part to reveal an intrastaff memorandum," Carter said. "I've never seen it myself.

"I happen to think a lot of George Bush. I would not include George Bush among those who were appointed without qualifications."

Carter said Bush has kept his commitments to congressional committees about instituting the reforms in the CIA.

'From the evidence I have, he has done a good job in-correcting these defects," Carter said.

But Carter joined his running mate, Sen. Walter F. Mondale, in charging that Kelley was not in control of the FBJ.